



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Dexiang CHEN *et al.*

Title: INDUCTION OF MUCOSAL
IMMUNITY BY VACCINATION
VIA THE SKIN ROUTE

Appl. No.: 10/724,727

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Examiner: Stacy B. CHEN

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the non-final office action dated April 21, 2005. Applicants enclose a Petition for a three (3) month Extension of Time and appropriate fee to make this response timely filed by October 21st. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected at page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims at page 3.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5.

Please amend the application as follows:

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